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RESPONSE TO OUTSTANDING NON-FINAL OFFICIAL ACTION

In response to the Official Action currently outstanding Official Action in the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully *traverse each and all of the Examiner's rejections*. The claims as they presently stand are reproduced below for convenience of reference.